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al and criminal cases or proceedings.

which had been recorded in any of the offices and all damages which might accrue from stroved, on or about said date, then a sworn take effect and be in force from and after its topy of the same shall be admitted to record, passage. when so admitted, shall have the force and effect of the original, being considered prima facis corr 3ct, but not conclusively so. Sac. 5. Be it further enacted, That in all

cases where or ginal deeds, deeds of trust, AN ACT to incorporate the Yellow Creek and Tombigbee Valley Railroad Company. mortgages or other written instruments which were recorded or filed for record in said county, in the proper office on or about the said date, it shall be lawful for the grantee or other person interested in the preservation of such instruments, to make an affidavi, of the execution and delivery of the same, which offidavit shall state the date as near as possible of its execution, by and to whom made, for what consideration, for what purpose, and shall particularly describe the real and personal property conveyed by such instrument; said affidavit shall be substantially in the following form, namely:

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, COUNTY OF -

bed, was burned or destroyed on or about the powered to enter upon, purchase, take and above referred to. fifteenth of September A. D. 1876-which affi- hold any lands or any premises that may be Sec. 4. Be it further enacted, That the 'wit shall be admitted in the proper office of necessary and proper for the construction and assessor of said county, shall receive as comsain county of Newton, and copies of the same, working of said road or way, not exceeding in pensation for making said assessment, in case certifie, as provided by law, shall be evidence width twenty-five feet on either side of the line the same is ordered to be made, the commission of the contains of the original; and an actual of this road, but said company shall have the now allowed by law, the same to be paid out of alverse occup ancy of such land mentioned in right to cut and remove trees and other mate- the county treasury of Scott county, upon comsuch affidavit for the term of ten years by the rial that might, by falling, obstruct its road-bed, pletion of said re-assessment, and the reception party claiming to be the owner thereof, shall though standing or being more than twentyconfer upon such person, and those claiming five feet from the line of said road. And in

Sec. 5. Be it further enacted, That this Act under him a pre-emption tit. to the same, and case the owners of such lands or premises canall right of entry by any one claiming adverse- not agree with said company as to the value of passage. ly to him or them shall be barred; and that this the lands or premises taken, or to be taken, for APPROVED, January 16, 1877. affidavit shall be filed with the clerk three the use of said company or road, the value months after the passage of this Act.

the records of administration of estates and appointed on the application of either party to guardianship were destroyed as aforesaid, such the chancery court of the county in which the papers shall be substituted within six months lands or premises lie, and the said commissionafter the passage of this Act, but if no sufficient ers shall appraise in their assessment of damdata or memoranda can be obtained upon which ages, such lands and premises at what would AN ACT to correct an erroneous assessment of church propthe papers can be substituted, the executor, ad- have been the value thereof if the road had not ministrator or guardian, as the case may be, been built, and upon return into court of such shall within six months after the passage of this same the estimated value of the premises taken, and upon the payment into the speaks with a spirit of prophecy which same the estimated value of the premises taken, and upon the payment into the speaks with a spirit of prophecy which same the estimated value of the premises taken, and upon the payment into the speaks with a spirit of prophecy which same the estimated value of the premises taken, electoral vote of a State; but a conviculty of the country will wither and perish be speaks with a spirit of prophecy which almost amounts to inspiration. He had ministration the following described land belonging to leghorn straw bonnels are most sought. and said company shall thereby acquire full Ebenezer Church, of the Methodist Episcopal tion of duty to my constituents and to says county, setting forth clearly and particularly the condition of said estate at the time of the permises aforesaid; and either party the condition of such papers and that they can destruction of such papers and that they can appraisement may, of all person. Interested as heirs and distributed papers of such estate, and upon the filling of such estates the time of the purposes aforesaid; and either party forbids me to be a silent with the promises aforesaid; and either party forbids me to be a silent with the promises aforesaid; and either party forbids me to be a silent with the promises aforesaid title to the promises aforesaid; and either party forbids me to be a silent with the sunshing tas well. The southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of such period for the purposes aforesaid title to the promises aforesaid; and either party forbids me to be a silent with the sunshing tas well. When, a few weeks ago, I voted for the purposes aforesaid title to the promises aforesaid; and either party forbids me to be a silent with the sunshing tas well. The southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of such estate at the time of the title to the promises aforesaid; and either party forbids me to be a silent with the sunshing tas well. The southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of such estate in the property to wit:

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ministrators, executors and guardians, whose persons named in the first section of this Act, bonds as such were destroyed, as aforestid, and such other persons as may associate themshall, within sixty days after the passage of this selves with them, or a majority of them, shall Act execute new bonds in the same penalty as open books to receive subscriptions to the capbe responsible for all the acts of such executor, places as they may deem best, and shall receive administrator or guardian from the grant of let said subscriptions under such regulations as O, twinkling locks and tawny, they shine in ters originally.

SEC. 8. Be it further enacted, That any per-Sec. 6. Be it further enacted, That the Sec. 6. Be it further enacted, That the son being a party to, or interested in any judg-enite enacted in any judg-ment, decree or order of the cir-SEC. 8. Be it further enacted, That any per- SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, That the SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature was destroyed by fire in the burning of the by the stockholders of said company in the the State of Mississippi, That any suit court-house aforesaid, may have the same reinproceeding heretofore instituted in any court stated, or substituted upon and restored to the their offices until others are duly elected and Newton county, wherein any paper or papers records of the court in which the same was en- qualified; Provided, that no person shall be In a splendrous fire the flowers blaze out of own individuality, in the ascertainment thought, and believed, and what other the south yields readily to kindness, but on file in said suit or proceeding shall have bees tered, in the following manner to wit: The qualified to be a director who is not the court destroyed during the September term of the party desiring to so substitute such judgment, of a least five shares of the stock of the comdestroyed court, 1876, upon proof of such burning decree or order, shall file a written statement pany; and the directors, a majority of whom of destruction, to the satisfaction of the court, with the clerk in which such judgment, shall be a quorum to do business, shall and court may order such paper or papers to decree or order was entered originally, set- elect one of their number to be president of be substituted in lieu of those lost or destroyed, ting forth in a brief, succinct manner, as the board, who shall be president of the comad after such substitution, the cause shall pronearly as practicable, his relation to said judgpany; they shall choose a secretary and treasmed as though the original paper or papers ment, the date of the entry or rendition of the urer, who shall be sworn to the faithful dison file; this provision to apply to both same, on what account the same was rendered, charge of their duties, and the treasurer shall Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That any decree or order, their places of residence and company, in such sum as said directors may repost office address, where the same are known quire, for the faithful discharge of his duties. the provisions of the first section of this Act, or can be ascertained by diligent inquiry, the amount of money or purpose for which such of the persons named in the first section hereof.

Then jealousy came between us with whistened by the persons named in the first section hereof.

Of the persons named in the first section hereof. on docket of the court having jurisdistion of judgment, decree or order was rendered, to are hereby authorized to call the first meeting of fall on me rocks and mountains! for I the cause, setting forth what is desired, and shall what extent, if any, the same has been exe- of the stockholders of said company in such le with said motion the paper or papers pro- cuted, and the purpose for which the same is way and manner, and at such times and places osed to be substituted by him; provided, said desired to be substituted or reinstated, or re- as they appoint, for the choice of directors of tion shall be made and papers filed within stored, i.e. whether to have execution thereof, said company; and in all meetings of the year next after the possage of this Act; or as a muniment of title, or for other purposes, stockholders each share shall entitle the holder thereupon, the court shall order the which statement shall be sworn to and sub thereof to one vote, which vote may be given ork, or if the motion is made in vacation then scribed by the party, by or for whom the same by said stockholder in person or by proxy, and he clerk shall, without order of the court, issue is filed, before some officer authorized by law the annual meeting of the stockholders of said a summons, returnable to the first term of the to administer and prove affidavits; whereupon, company shall be holden at such place and at the clerk with whom the same is filed, shall such time as said company in their by-laws thin thirty days from its issuance and directed to issue a scire facias, or make publication in case may prescribe, and in case it shall so happen the sheriff or other lawfully authorized officer, of non-residents to all the parties named in such that an election of directors shall not be made the same on all persons named in said statement as parties to such judgment, decree on any day appointed by the by-laws of said motion, having an interest therein, to appear or order, to appear at the next term of the court company, said company shall not for that at the return term of said summons, and show to be held within not less than thirty days from cause, be deemed dissolved, but directors and cause why the motion shall not be sustained; the issuance of such process, and show cause officers shall continue in office until their sucwhich process shall be served by the officer to why the judgment, decree or order in question, cessors are elected and qualified. whom it is directed as other legal process is should not be substituted or reinstated upon SEC. 8. Be it further enacted, That the digerved; and if any persons in interest are non- and restored to the records of said court, which rectors shall have full power to make and preresidents of this State, then publication or ser- process shall be executed and returned as on scribe such by-laws, rules and regulations, as vice of process as to them shall be made, as in other and original process in the court having they deem needful and proper, touching the other cases of non residents, and like pro- jurisdiction, and like proceeding as nearly as disposition of the property and effects of said seeding shall be had in the trial of such motion may be, shall be had as in other suits pending company, not contrary to this charter or the in other cases in said court as far as applica- in such courts; and if the court in which such laws of this State or the United States. And to the persons summoned or notified as proceding is pending shall, upon the final hear- said company is hereby empowered to purdoresaid, having three days after the return day ing of the issue that shall be joined in such pro- chase, receive and hold such real estate as such process to plead, answer, demur or ex- ceeding, adjudge that such judgment, decree or may be necessary in accomplishing the oborder should be substituted or reinstated and jects for which this company is organized or in-Sec. 3. He it further enacted, That papers restored as aforesaid, he shall cause such judg- corporated. betituted as herein directed, shall in all rement, decree or order to be entered on the SEC. 9. Be it further enacted, That whenspects stand in lieu of the original, and have minutes of such court as the proof warrants, or ever it shall be necessary for the construction where the green lablent with the golden, the validity, force and effect of such origi- as is proper in the premises, which judgment, of their railroad or way to intercept or cross gal, admitted in evidence in any court in this decree or order so entered, shall have the any stream of water or any highway, it shall be Fell over the broldered banners that whim-State, in all cases, and in such manner as the same force, effect and virtue in all respects as lawful for said company to construct said road the original judgment would have had if it had or way, across or upon the same, but the com He talked with a king and courtiers where provided by the law itself, is that this ment of this iniquity. We have a duty The House is able neither to resist nor Sec. 4. Be it further enacted, That all deeds, not been destroyed as aforesaid; Provided, pany-shall restore the highway to its former deels of trust, mortgages, or other written in that where the parties, or any of them to usefulness. struments necessary or required by law, to be such judgment, decree or order destroyed as SEC. 10. Be it further enacted, That it recorded, and which were recorded, in said aforesaid, shall be non-resident in this State, shall be lawful for the company hereby incorcounty, and which were destroyed by fire and are served by publication of notice only, porated, from time to time, to fix, regulate and the September term of the circuit court, the party instituting the proceeding before he receive the tolls and charges by them, to be re-1876, of said county, may be again recorded shall have such judgment, decree or order sub- ceived for the transportation of persons or in the proper office of said county, and stituted or reinstated as before provided, shall property upon the road hereby authorized to copies of said second record, authenticated ac- enter into bond to be fixed by the courts before be built, or upon any part thereof. ording to law, shall have the same force and whom such case is pending, payable to the pareffect as if they were the copies of said origity against whom the judgment, order or decree nal records, and in all cases where deeds, deeds is sought to be restored, in a sum sufficient to its passage. of trust, mortgages or other written instruments cover said judgment sought to be restored

of said county, and the records of the same, a wrongful entry or restoration of the same. as well as the original were burned, lost or de- | Sec. 9. Be it further enacted, That this Act

APPROVED, February 1st, 1877.

ford, J. A. Crosland and J. M. Rowland, their Monday in April, 1877. county this day personally came - who of iron or wood, from the Tennessee river, near be prepared according to section nine of an being duly sworn, says that on the ——— day | the mouth of Yellow Creek, on and by the most | Act entitled an Act in relation to public reveof \_\_\_\_ A. D. \_\_\_ did make to \_\_\_\_ for practicable route towards Burnsville, thence to nues and for other purposes, approved. April the following consideration - and for the the town or location of Bay Springs and Tom- 15, 1876. the following consideration ——and for the this following purposes ——the following purposes ——the following proper bigbee Valley, in the State of Mississippi, and Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, That the asty (namely) — and that — did on the to transport, take and carry persons and prop- sessor of said county, shall have prepared, at day of \_\_\_\_ A. D. \_\_\_ before \_\_\_\_ of the erty upon said railroad or way by the power the expense of said county, suitable blanks for And the dark-limbed, drowning sailors spin was the unmimous opinion of this vestal vigils for one hundred years of our point me and those who think and feel county of \_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_ State, acknowledge and force of steam or by any other power or making said assessment; which blanks shall the above described (conveyance or instrument) combination of them which said company may have attached thereto, an oath, to be taken and

thereof shall be determined by the appraisal of SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, That where three disinterested commissioners, who may be

original bonds, and the sureties therein shall ital stock of said company at such times and they may adopt.

ment, decree or order of any court in said New affairs of the company shall be vested in a ton county, which judgment, decree or order board of twelve directors, who shall be chosen the names of all the parties to such judgment, give a bond with sufficient security to said

Sec. 11. Be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after

APPROVED, January 31, 1877.

AN ACT authorizing the board of supervisors of the county of Scott to order a re-assessment of the real estate of said

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, That the board of supervisors of the county of Scott, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to order Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of a re-assessment of real estate in said county, It was in the early evening, and out of the State Mississippi, That J. Marler, G. W. should such board in its judgment deem such Hutton, J. K. Moody, Jobe Scruggs, W. Y. reassessment necessary and advisable; Provid. The terrible lightning darted and the winds have blazed into a simultaneous illumi- In the light of these transactions of the Baker, R. M. Dean, Joseph Wilson, Uriah Mc- ed, said order shall be made and entered upon Master, William B. Dean, W. A. H. Shackle- the records of said board on or before the first

associates, successors and assigns, be and they | Scc. 2. Be it further enacted, That should are hereby made and constituted a body politic said board deem such re-assessment necessary and corporate by the name of "The Yellow and advisable, and order the same to be made. Creek and Tombigbee Valley Railroad Compa- it shall thereupon be the duty of the clerk of ny," and by that name may sue and be sued, said board to immediately notify the Auditor of plead and be impleaded in any court in this Public Accounts of such action, and it shall be I felt like a fleshless spirit all drunk on de- country received it everywhere as the lude to the nation's tragedy—not the and always shall do under similar our State, and to make and have a common seal, the duty of said Auditor upon receiving such and the said company is hereby authorized notification, to furnish immediately to said clerk, Despite the angels of heaven, the demons of and empowered to locate, construct and com- three land assessment rolls for the purpose of plete a single or double railroad or way, either making said assessment, which said rolls shall

subscribed before said assessor or his deputy; O, emerald earth, sail swiftly through the nal (conveyance or instrument) above describ- company be and is hereby authorized and em-

WHEREAS, By inadvertence on the part of the now diffident in presenting objections in minutes. Further on the gentleman and reaching every citizen, the industries Open, lace-like straws are coming in

For THE CLARION.]

WRECKED. BY WILL H KERNAN.

these sea-pinks here! O, tiger-like eyes, their lustre in these pas-

sion-flowers appear! O, brave, white brow and beautiful, these

duisies it does illume! O, sweet lips budding with laughter, in this ripe, red rose they bloom!

For lo! where I kissed and kissed him, in the milk-white meons away, his buried clay.

So flerce was his love and frantic that sometimes in sudden mood, He tore me with teeth and fingers, and feasted upon my blood;

I worshiped him, body and spirit, when, with a betrothal ring, He made me his queen and vassal, himself

my vassal and king.

was alone to blame;

Only a faded flower, a glove and a tress of And a beautiful, brown-eyed picture of one

was my mad distrust, the Spanish dust.

Then, wo! with a proud compassion, "farewell, and farewell." spake he; But Christ and the Twelvemonth coming will witness my worth of thee; 'And then, when the reveling Summer dis-

tilleth her dewey wine, Back, back from Egyptian palm groves l will come and will call thee mine."

V. He sailed to the lands bloom-burning under searletest skies away, over passionate seas of purple, deep into a

diamond day; He read all the rude, strange marvels of mystical pagan lands;

He tented in tamarisk bowers in the depths of the desert sands; He stood in majestic temples where thundered the organ peal,

By shrines where effigies rested in glittering plates of steel, the blue with a blood-red light,

pled by altars white,

odorous gum-woods flamed, And girls white-breasted were dancing in nakedness unashamed,

Where lute and bassoon and viol shook all of the shining blooms, And the riot of voices and laughter rang down through the princely rooms.

VI.

I quaffed the beacers of lotus, and thridded the depths of air, And went with the pale winged angels up many a pearly stair:

My thoughts were of Titan trumpets that shook all the earth when blown, white, ineffable throne;

But out of these vivid visions I wakened in wild affright. In the bursts of the phrenzied tempests that mission, in obedience to the law which sense, and outraged common justice. Its my then as we know it now. Nav. his wailed through the moonless night,

And my thoughts were of fetters of fire, and the serpents of smoking helis.

scowling sky,

went roaring by, iest sheeds of white,

lunatics do,

came orzing through; licious winehelt, he was mine!

But, hark to the hurried signals through the the buman heart which are the parents liberty; but I hope there yet may be lured into a feeling of security. spray and the tempest shocks! His vessel, great God! is steering right down

on the dreadful rocks! with a sudden spasm. 'round in the roaring chasm.

limitless seas of space,

And past all the ship-like planets to the palm-cool port of grace! Sail swiftly! The shining angels may win him away from me,

And leave me alone in Heaven to pinc through Eternity! OKOLONA, MISS., March, 1877.

THE ELECTORAL COUNT.

SPEECH OF HON. HERNANDO D. MONEY.

OF MISSISSIPPI,

March 1, 1877.

The House having under consideration the objections to the electoral vote of Ver-Mr. Money said:

Mr. Speaker: I have been one of the such power.

it with implicit confidence in the fairness tol, who have testified both pro and con, alien oppression; if, to quote the lanat least of the judicial portion of the tri bunal which has astounded the country by its decision. We had a right to ex pect something from at least that portion of the commission, and the fault we find to-day is not with the law itself but with committees were ignored, an examina- tious opposition to such policy in the he perversion of the law by that com-

now of public record, made by members told me, "could have no practical re- walk at the charlot wheels of Mr. Hayen of the commission, committed them to sult."

who was bright and tair; ed electors. Sir, was it necessary that matter of record and to which we appeal.

But, O! for my faith was shaken, and deaf all the eloquence which thrilled this Republicans here have been accustomed When he spake of a sainted sister askeep in try in the debate on the electoral bill they fail to understand how a man can

> Rulse a tempest, To waft a feather, or to drown a fly. What the people had the right to demand, what this Congress contemplated signally failed to meet the expectation of leave the settlement of so grave a quesand they gave them a stone. When they upon the uncertain decision of asked for full evidence in the case of a contested State they gave them this; Ordered. That no evidence shall be receiv-

not necessary to-

and hamlet throughout the country would will burn and blister them to the core. Tearing the black, black billows into snow- the Union a grand chorus of exultation casts an adumbration over the land dark would have been raised? But how was with apprehension and distrust, because clenched my ten thin flagers till the blood enthusiasm? Did it call forth any man. I forbode, sir, that the electoral farce

> law itself provided, that this commission dignity and with one inspired jesture should take all the evidence in this case; wave from the theater of public action the on that ground, and every one who ob. this fraud. jected to it objected to it for the same

gentleman yesterday denied this com- as this, if they patiently extend their free differently propose nothing definite, dence. Here is what he said when the shall I have arrived at a conclusion which chaos or a case in law. this floor. He objected. He says:

I admit, sir, that I for one thought ceding, but was an inquisition also into here it traverses all the matured ulterthe judicial members of that commission the laws, customs, manners, the public ances and carefully considered policy and were more than men; I thought them and private business, social and domestic accomplished acts of his party for the

judges. To my mind they were abstract relations of the people of that State ; an last twelve years, I must be excused to tions of legal wisdom, learning, and just examination that not only demanded of day from lubricating the processes of the tice, capable of sinking partisanship and witnesses what they saw and knew of account and hastening an event I may reevery unworthy consideration, even their tual occurrences, but what they heard, gret. of truth in the case submitted to them. people thought and believed; and yet gentlemen are mistaken if they think those The disappoinment of the country is a the whole mass of testimony absolutely who have character and influence to bejust measure of the reasonable expecta- amounted to nothing, and, as one of the come leaders of the Southern people can tion of justice at their hands. Speeches, republican Senators on the committee be induced to yield their conviction

ed, that the democratic party is disap- and their vindication is the result. The We follow what we conveive to be a pointed, is not the legitimate result of testimony showed an ardent, zealous, and duty, and cannot believe that our people the electoral law, but of the disobedience energetic effort of a noble people, de will present a keener edge of indign to and violation of the law by the com- termined to rule themselves and united to those who struggle to prevent the mission. They were organized by the as one man in a heroic effort to combine consummation of a trand than to those very terms of the law that called them every moral, physical, and legitmate who perpetrate it. As for my own part, into being to ascertain who were the duly agent to accomplish so laudable a pur- I cheerfully submit my record to the appointed electors for President and pose. The gentleman could have spared liberty-loving constituencey which I have Vice President of the United States. In- himself the ungracious act of instant- the honor to represent in this House. stead of performing that duty, they have ing apprehension in us of a possible intold us who were the prima facie appoint- vestigation which has already become House and rang through the whole coun- to plant themselves on the color line and should have been expended upon a meas | be black and a democrat. They might ure which was designed to produce such as well say that a man cannot be a result? Was it neccessary that this black and appreciate low taxes. paraphernalia of a joint commission, good government, and material composed of members of both Houses prosperity. They do not give the and a portion of the Supreme Court, negro whom they claimed as the even the tellers appointed by the two action which they assume for themselves, when 'tis done, 't were done quickly. Houses were fully competent; just as They have for many years attempted to of joint committees, simply to usher into has been, but it will never be again, an estoppel upon the imaggration of the existence a commission of such imposing when the ignorance and barbarism of man whom the people did not elect.

proposition is offensive to reason. It was destinies when it passed this bill, and what is we resist under the law itself the achieve- tuckian to resist

Fortune, that goddess blind, And if it were true that we played a Can gentlemen reasonably object that game of chance we did not expect our disappointment and denunciation should opponents to deal from a pack of cards meet them at every turn? I say the spirit that held eight jacks. I am not an exin which the astounding decisions of the commission have been received in every Nor as a compact are we bound when the Of palms and chaplets and lyres, and the portion of the country bears pregnant compact has been violated; for this comand most forceful significance. Is there mission has violated the law of its being, tive point. The time for a man in this House, Republican or annulled it and the Federal Constitution. Democrat, who doubts that if this com- abused a sacred trust, insulted common knew the desperate character of our eme organized it, had proceeded really to the illogical, illegal and inconsistent decisions plans and schemes were all before us. Or And sheeted wraiths stalked by me to the examination of the merits of the case tolling of funeral bells, and had endeavored to reach the essence of this contest, and then, in pursu- majority may be, whatever their perform- very suggestion was hooted. ance of their plain duty under the law, since of public duty in its highest sense there came a moment when, unabled to declared Tilden or Hayes elected-can may hereafter be, they cannot tear away set a squadron in the field, we were offerany man doubt when the news was re- the damning record which they now com- ed an afternative a very Hobson's choice a ceived that every city, village, town, plete, and which like the shirt of Nessus indeed-the electoral bill or a back down

To my mind the Republican party has won a pyrrhic victory, from whose de-Now, I will animadvert upon the moralization there is no recovery. If I of this House whose judgment has obpeech which the gentleman from Ohio should be mistaken, if the people are tained the public confid [Mr. Lawrence] made yesterday. That prepared for usurpation so gross and hald same opinion. Those who affect to think mission could have gone into the evi- hands for the shackles of slaves, then They have no objective point, except electoral bill was being contested upon in Rome was deemed the highest crime, I shall have despaired of the Republic. I object then to the bill to regulate the counting of the electoral vote because—

1. In requiring evidence to be considered in the count which goes back of the series back of the seri in the count which goes back of the returns required by the Constitution, and which may controvert the authority of electors who have the constitutional evidence of a provocation would drive the people to In the House of Representatives. right to act as such, it is uncongulational internecine war, and those dreadful horrors which are its natural concomitants, That was then his opinion. Further yet there will not be that peace which brings content. A resentful and sullen MR. LAWRENCE. Further on you will submission may be had, but fraud has see that I do not believe we have any laid its frozen hand upon the government, ble. and the chill running along the electric The old Tuscan straw braids are silent members of the House and am | Mr. Money. Do not take up my ten chain that binds these States together, vived.

wrecked our free institutions. We passed dance in the ante-chambers of the capi- those who have tasted the hitterness of and that after a searching examination, gauge of his friend, General Foster, he conducted mainly by bitter partisan republicans brought from Mississippi for freedom rather than slaves; if he would he purpose, an examination in which strive to supplant sectional hats with rethe rules heretofore held by courts and conciliation, then he would find no face tion not only into the res gester of the South. But not knowing his policy, and election and of the political canvass pre- knowing well that as stated by his friends

to grace his triumph. To my fellow full, fair, and thorough investigation of The good name and character of the democrats who differ as to the section this people whom I have the henor in part to moment to be had, I say bear with us That the people are to-day disappoint represent have been assailed at all points. even us we do with you.

[Here the hammer fell.]

SPEECH OF HON. HENRY WATTERSON.

OF RENTUCKY,

Against Dilatory Proceedings. should be called into being to exercise a ward of the nation and the protege of the Progress of the presidential count. It function to which the President of the republican party credit for that in- the deed is to be done, and sure all of us Senate was fully competent; to which telligence and independence of political know that it is to be done, "I'were better competent as this commission to decide support an unnatural condition of things than I have to prevent it. No man is upon the superficial technicalities of the at the South. The Federal power was more burt by it than I am ; but, as much case; just as competent to tell the people invoked to keep the pyramid standing on of the country who were the prima facie its apex, when the inexorable and per does not exist to place the man whom electors. Yet all this waste of eloquence, sistent law of gravitation demanded that the people elected in the presidential this labor, these caucuses, these meetings it should rest upon its base. The day office. The power does not exist to put

character to perform a simple, plain, cler- Mississippi, joined with the rapacity of The army, led by the General in Chief ical, and perfunctory task. Sir, the strangers, controlled Mississippi and her is here ready to excert him to the door of the White House; the Chief Magistrate But, Mr. Speaker, to return from this stands at the door ready to receive him ; digression provoked by the speech of the Chief-Justice, attended by a majority the subject-matter before the House. I administer to him the oath of office acrepel the accusation that it is at any cording to the forms of law. There is compromise of honor or good faith that not so much as a single unarmed Ken-

commission should reach the bottom to perform for those who sent us here, obstruct. It can only refuse to proceed facts, solemnly, conscientiously, and even We deny that it was a game of chance, with the count, What then? Why, the prayerfully attained. But they have It was not the intention of this House to Senate, aided by the minority on this floor will finish the job, declare the result and the country. The people asked for bread tion, involving the rights of millions, carry out the original programme of con ers began their past election the electoral commission than they were impotent and blind fury

ance is always to be avoided, particularly nation, and that from every quarter of commission, the incoming administration I was no longer able to answer the argu-When out on the far horizon his vessel hove in sight!

I laughed at lunatics loudly, I laughed as it received? When the news of its first decisions was flashed throughout the country, did it meet a responsive thrill in the popular heart? Did it excite any tion of power marks the decay of nations. his ability has won the respect and reifestations of rejoicings? No, sir; the whose last act we witness is but the prenews of a disaster. It was as though a heroic tragedy of the sword and ax, but cumstances—being unable to further great calamity rested all over our land; the lingering tragedy of moral decay, meet and contest the case in friendly as though the nation had lost a battle. slower but not less sure of the catastrophe. debate with my collegues, I necepted Sir, the false judgments have no power It may be, Mr. Speaker, that we have their view and joined them in the measure to stir that love, truth, and justice in fought the last battle for constitutional ure proposed. But I was by no means among the people, in republics the source feetly understood that the bill was In the construction of any law, the both of power and of virtue, that robust choice of evils. In the remarks which best authority, next to the text itself, is and vigorous love of freedom that has had the honor to submit to this House formed the law. We all know that it acter and that has held its more than consciousness that it may bitterly disap-House, on both sides, that it was the national history; that the people may at with me; if it does, I shall still have por duty of this commission, for which the the next election rise in their sovereign formed a most uppleasing duty in the preserve the public peace at a time when every man who supported it supported it party that participates in and profits by the people were not prepared for war,

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ment most sadly. I deplore it, but I see

Net mittens are revived. Tilleul is a leading color Foulards are fashionable. Yellow and tilleal are leading colors.

Mittens are all at once very fashious-